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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department – Allegations of putting his signature on M.Book with ante date and misused his official position in order to help the Accused Officer Sri M.Udaya Kumar, the then Assistant Engineer – Disciplinary Proceedings initiated against Sri A. Vidya Soundara Rajan, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Koyyalagudem, West Godavari District presently working as Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department Sub-Division, Razole of Konaseema District – Charges held proved in regular Inquiry conducted - Imposition of penalty of "Withholding of Two (02) Annual Grade increments with cumulative effect" under Rule 9 (vi) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services(CCA) Rules, 1991 – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.272 **Dated: 26/03/2024.**

Read the following:-

1. Final Report from the DG, ACB Rc.No.238/RCT-EWG/2014, dt:24.08.2015.
2. G.O.Rt.No.423, PR&RD (Vig.VI) Dept , dated:14.05.2018.
3. Representation received from Sri A. Vidya Soundara Rajan, the then DEE, RWS&S, Koyyalagudem, West Godavari District, dt:07.07.2018.
4. G.O.Rt.No.260 , PR&RD (Vig.VI) Dept, dated:07.03.2019.
5. G.O.Rt.No.462 , PR&RD (Vig.VI) Dept, dated:26.07.2019.
6. G.O.Rt.No.440, PR&RD (Vig.VI) Dept, dated:31.05.2022.
7. Inquiry Report from the Superintending Engineer & Inquiry Officer, RWS&S Circle, Eluru, Eluru District, dated:28.11.2022 .
8. Govt Memo.No.16589/Vig.VI/2014, Dated:16.06.2023.
9. Representation received from Sri A. Vidya Soundara Rajan, the then DEE, RWS&S, Koyyalagudem, West Godavari District, dt:07.07.2023

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ORDER:-

Based on the Recommendations of the Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, in the Final Report 1st read above on the allegations of putting his signature on M.Book with ante date and misused his official position in order to help the Accused Officer Sri M.Udaya Kumar, the then Assistant Engineer, Government has framed charges against Sri A. Vidya Soundara Rajan, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Koyyalagudem, West Godavari District presently working as Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S Sub-Division, Razole of Konaseema District vide Reference 2nd read above.

2. In the reference 3rd read above, the Charged Officer Sri A. Vidya Soundara Rajan, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Koyyalagudem, West Godavari District presently

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working as Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department Sub-Division, Razole of Konaseema District has submitted a representation and requested Government to drop all the further proceedings against him on sympathetical grounds.

3. As the WSD of the Charged Officer is not convincing, Superintending Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, West Godavari District has been appointed as Inquiry Officer to conduct inquiry into the allegations under Rule 20(2) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CCA) Rules, 1991 vide reference 4th read above.

4. In the reference 5th read above, Sri M. Ravindra, Inspector of Police, Anti Corruption Bureau, Eluru Range, has been appointed as Presenting Officer to present the case before the Inquiry Officer on behalf of the disciplinary authority under Rule 20(5)(c) of APCS(CCA) Rules, 1991. Subsequently, Sri K. Yesu Babu, Inspector of Police, Anti Corruption Bureau, Eluru Range is appointed as Presenting Officer in place of Sri M. Ravindra, Inspector of Police, to present the case before the Inquiry Officer on behalf of the Disciplinary Authority under Rule 20(5)(c) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CCA) Rules, 1991 vide reference 6th read above. The Inquiry Authority has submitted the Inquiry Report vide reference 7th read above and in his findings he has held that the charge is partly proved.

5. In the Reference 8th read above, the Inquiry Report has been communicated to the Charged Officer Sri A. Vidya Soundara Rajan, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Koyyalagudem, West Godavari District presently working as Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department Sub-Division, Razole of Konaseema District. The Charged Officer has submitted his explanation vide reference 9th read above. He has requested the Government to consider his representation sympathetically in view of his lengthy, meritorious services and in the interest of justice and to drop further action on the charge framed against him.

6. Government, after examining the matter keeping in view the findings of Inquiring Authority and Written representation of the Charged Officer Sri A. Vidya Soundara Rajan, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Koyyalagudem, West Godavari District presently working as Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department Sub-Division, Razole of Konaseema District, have decided to impose a penalty of "Withholding of Two (02) Annual Grade increments with cumulative effect" under Rule 9 (vi) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CCA) Rules, 1991 on Sri A. Vidya Soundara Rajan, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Koyyalagudem, West Godavari District presently working as Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S Sub-Division, Razole of Konaseema District.

7. Accordingly, Government hereby order to impose a penalty of "Withholding of Two (02) Annual Grade increments with cumulative effect" under Rule 9 (vi) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CCA) Rules, 1991 against Sri A. Vidya Soundara Rajan, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Koyyalagudem, West Godavari District presently working as Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply

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& Sanitation Department Sub-Division, Razole of Konaseema District, as the charges are held proved.

8. The Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Vijayawada shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(FAC)

To
Sri A. Vidya Soundara Rajan, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Koyyalagudem, West Godavari District presently working as Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department Sub-Division, Razole of Konaseema District (through the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Vijayawada)
The Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Vijayawada (in duplicate with a Request to obtain and furnish the dated acknowledgment of the orders)

Copy to:
The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, AP., Vijayawada.
The Secretary, APVC, Secretariat Building-5, Velagapudi.
The Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, West Godavari District.
The Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Konaseema District.
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SECTION OFFICER